



Lewistown JSEC
Meeting Minutes
February 7, 2013

Prepared by Kristin Rutten, JSEC Coordinator

In Attendance

Oscar Cantu	Roy Jones	Kristin Rutten	Karen Sweeney	KellyAnne Terry
Jeff Evans	Steve Phillips	Lauri Tognetti	Terri Hall	

Previous Month's Meeting Minutes

Jeff moved to approve the minutes for the January 10, 2013, meeting. Steve seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

In Stephen's absence, Kristin reported the current bank balance is unchanged from last month (\$3,568.92) though we have a handful of sponsorship checks in hand waiting to be deposited.

JSEC Coordinator's Report

No report.

Job Service Report

Roy shared the January Employment Snapshot and Montana Economy At-A-Glance flyers, noting that Montana's unemployment rate is currently 5.9%. Job Service has 65 openings listed at the present time. He also mentioned that the US Census Bureau will hold a hiring event at Lewistown Job Service at the end of February, with Century Companies to hold one of their own in mid-March.

Old Business

New Member Recruitment: Kristin introduced her guest, KellyAnne Terry, Director of Lewistown Public Library. Those present were reminded to continue working on new member recruitment.

Steve Beck Seminar: Members updated the group on the status of their sponsorship efforts, as follows:

Oscar: Waiting for a decision from Fergus County, Wells Fargo Bank, Central Montana Co-Op. Will touch base with Dale Pfau/Don's Store after a decision has been made about the addition of an evening session.

Karen: Northwestern Energy (\$500), Realty Title (\$250) & CMMC (\$250) all said yes; First National Bank and Albertsons declined. Has also talked to Carrie Mantooth at Central Montana Foundation regarding a grant application. **Kristin** agreed to follow through on that application, which is due February 11th for the next monthly round of funding.

Roy: Sports, Inc (\$250) said yes; waiting for a decision from Huffine, et al, Joe Eckhardt, and the City of Lewistown.

Steve: Hi-Heat (\$1000) said yes; has not made contact yet with Century Company.

Terri: KXLO-KLCM (\$500 ad credit) said yes; waiting for a decision from Bank of the Rockies, Lewistown Sports, and Courtesy Motors; True Value and Central Montana Community Health Center declined.

Lauri: Yogo Inn (\$500) said yes; Nexus declined.

Jeff: Lewistown Honda (\$250) and Basin State Bank (\$100) said yes; will contact Rindal Oil (Dave Donaldson called the Job Service office to inquire about sponsorships); has not yet contacted Sparks Auto and Lewistown Insurance.

Members agreed to follow-up on their individual lists, as needed, and report results as they do so.

At Steve Beck's request, the group considered shifting the original seminar dates ahead one day to accommodate Steve's travel plans. Lauri moved we hold the seminars on **Monday, April 15** and **Tuesday, April 16**, with the student session to take place Monday morning. Terri seconded. Motion carried.

At the request of Dale Pfau, the group considered whether to move the Monday afternoon session to the evening to accommodate Don's Store and others like it who may not feel they can send staff during business hours. Issues discussed included whether employees would be likely to attend on their own time in the evening, particularly a 4-hour session that runs through dinner and family time after a full day of work. The general consensus was that this would be a hindrance to attendance. Steve moved we keep the Monday afternoon session as planned (1-5 pm). Karen seconded. Motion carried. Kristin agreed to contact Steve Beck and inquire if he'd be willing to add a shorter evening session focused on a topic of interest to retailers, as well as how much additional that would cost.

Terri moved that ticket prices for each half day seminar be \$25 each. Karen seconded. After some discussion, Jeff amended the motion to make ticket prices \$10 each. Steve seconded. Amendment carried. Amended motion also carried. It was agreed that no group rates or special pricing for multiple ticket purchases would be offered; however, the group also expressed interest in re-addressing the pricing issues at the next month once we know if all costs will be covered by sponsorship funds.

Lauri offered to contact Karen Durbin, FHS FCCLA teacher, to see if her class might be willing to make & donate refreshments for the seminar breaks. Refreshments and event logistics will be discussed in future meetings.

New Business

Election of Officers: Jeff nominated Oscar as the continuing JSEC Chairman. Lauri seconded. Motion carried. Karen moved we retain the rest of the slate of current officers. Jeff seconded. Motion carried. Officers for 2013 are again as follows:

Oscar Cantu, Chairman
Steve Phillips, Vice-Chairman
Terri Hall, Secretary
Stephen Taylor, Treasurer

The meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 7th at Noon at the Lewistown Job Service.